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In re Application of
Kleinberg et-al.

Application No: 10/016,246

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For: MAGNETIC RESONANCE METHOD FOR
CHARACTERIZING FLUID SAMPLES
WITHDRAWN FROM SUBSURFACE
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Examiner: Vargas

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Dear Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for Letters Patent and in response to the Office Action mailed June 11, 2003 (Paper N° 9) for which a response is due on or before September 11, 2003, please enter and consider the following Remarks:

REMARKS

The Examiner rejected claims 1-24, 26-29 of the present patent application under 35 U.S.C § 102(e) in view of US Patent No. 6,111,408 to Blades (the '408 Patent). The Examiner objected to claim 25 for depending upon a rejected claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

The present patent application claims priority to US Patent Application Serial No. 09/133,324 (the '324 Application) filed August 13, 1998, now issued US Patent No. 6,346,813. During prosecution, the '408 Patent was cited against the claims of the '324